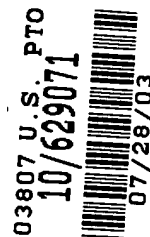


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**CONTINUATION-IN-PART (CIP)
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Re: CONTINUATION-IN-PART (CIP) PATENT APPLICATION
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Transmitted herewith is the patent application identified above, including:

- ☒ Title Page, totaling 1 page.
- ☒ Specification, 20 pages; claims, 7 pages; and abstract, 1 page.
- ☒ Drawings totaling 6 pages, ☒ Formal ☐ Informal.
- ☒ Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☐ Assignment of the invention to **Applied Materials, Inc.**
- ☐ Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, with Form PTO-1449, and ☐ reference copies
- ☒ Applicants hereby claim the benefit of priority under 35 USC § 120 for subject matter which is common to the present invention and which was previously disclosed in U.S. application Serial No. 10/435,306, filed May 9, 2003.

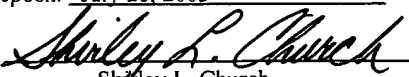
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Basic Filing Fee				\$750.00	\$750.00
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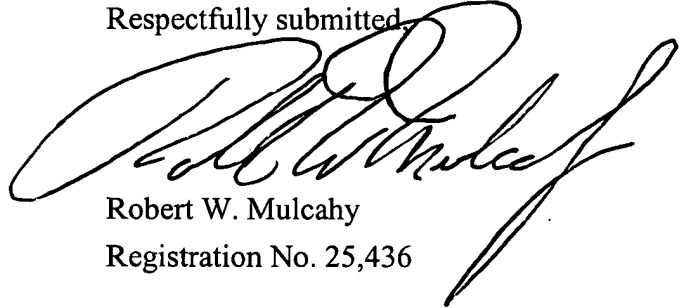
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